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#### **PLENARY**

**OCTOBER 9-10, 2018** 

#### **2018 PROGRAM**

**Location:** West Sacramento Civic Center Galleria **Address:** 1110 West Capitol Ave. West Sacramento, CA, 95691



# UPDATE 2018 CALIFORNIA WATER PLAN

#### California Water Plan (CWP) Update 2018

This Water Plan Plenary focuses on the building blocks that create the foundation for CWP Update 2018 goals and recommended actions.

Day 1- begins with an exploration of the challenges the Water Plan addresses, and their root causes, and continues with a sampling of the many, many data components that inform its content. Participants will also be invited to preview tools that can be used to balance and evaluate the trade-offs that implementation of the plan will require, even in the face of uncertainty.

Day 2 – celebrates the important role of collaboration and partnership in integrating action across all levels of government. In addition to considering how to strengthen integrated regional water management, participants will be asked to help define priorities.

As always, the featured speakers, session presenters, and fellow participants represent the best of California's water managers and leaders.





## 2018 PROGRAM

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# California Water Plan Update 2018 Plenary **AGENDA**



October 9-10, 2018

Day 1: 8:30 am - 5:00 pm, Day 2: 8:30 a.m. – Noon West Sacramento Civic Center Galleria 1110 W. Capitol Ave, West Sacramento, CA 95605

#### **MEETING GOALS:**

- 1. Strengthen the Water Plan Role in Addressing Critical Water Challenges and their Causes
- 2. Promote Data Driven Decision Making
- 3. Set Priorities for Strengthening Regional Water Management

#### Day 1 – Morning - October 9, 2018

#	Time	Item	Presenter
1.	8:30 AM	Registration and Networking	
2.	9:15	<ul> <li>Welcome and Greetings</li> <li>Introductions</li> <li>Meeting Goals</li> <li>Agenda &amp; Handout Review</li> <li>National Imagine a Day Without Water (Oct. 10, 2018)</li> </ul>	Kamyar Guivetchi, CA Department of Water Resources (DWR) Lisa Beutler, Facilitator, Stantec
3.	9:40	Opening Remarks	DWR Director Karla Nemeth
4.	10:00	<ul> <li>A Day Without Water</li> <li>California's Critical Water Challenges</li> <li>Interactive Discussion</li> </ul>	All
5.	11:00	Investing in a Shared Vision for California's Water Future  • Key Concepts in Update 2018 for Addressing California's Challenges	Kamyar Guivetchi
6.	11:30	Management Tools and Strategies in Action • SAWPA Pilot Project	Mike Antos, Santa Ana Water Project Authority

#### Day 1 – Afternoon - October 9, 2018

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#	Time	Item	Presenter	
7.	Noon	Working Lunch & Keynote Speaker	California State Controller Betty T. Yee	
8.	1:10	<b>Interactive Gaming Demonstration</b>	Paul Massera, Rich Juricich,	
	PM	Experience firsthand the challenge of planning and managing adaptively given many facets and uncertainties of California's water resources	Jennifer Kofoid, DWR	
9.	3:00	Break	All	
10.	3:15	Impact of Recent Court Decisions on California Water	David Sandino, DWR	
11.	3:45	The Foundation of the Water Plan: Data Lightning Talks	a Driven Decision Making –	
		<ol> <li>Overview - Jennifer Kofoid, Hoa Ly</li> <li>Water Supply and Balance - Xavier "3</li> <li>Water Budgets - Paul Shipman</li> </ol>	Γito" Cervantes	
		Q&A		
		<ol> <li>Climate Change – Emily Alejandrino</li> <li>Future Scenarios – Mohamed Rayej</li> <li>Land Use – Curtis Anderson</li> </ol>		
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		Q&A		
		10. Recycled Water Use – Rich Mills 11. Water Conservation – Peter Brostron 12. Open and Transparent Data – Chris N		
12.	5:00	Wrap-up and Prepare for Next Day	Paul Massera, DWR	



<u>Day</u> 2 – October 10

#	Time	Item	Presenter
13.	8:30 AM	Registration and Networking	
14.	9:00	<ul> <li>Welcome and Greetings</li> <li>Introductions</li> <li>Agenda Review</li> <li>Oct 9 meeting recap</li> </ul>	Kamyar Guivetchi, CA Department of Water Resources (DWR), Lisa Beutler, Facilitator, Stantec
15.	9:10	Opening Speaker	DWR Deputy Director Kris Tjernell
16.	9:20	Panel Discussion	

Priorities for Sustaining, Broadening, and Strengthening Regional Water Management

Session Hosts: Michael Floyd & Lewis Moeller, DWR

*Moderator:* Lynn Rodriguez, Watersheds Coalition of Ventura County

#### **Stakeholder Representatives:**

Mike Antos, Santa Ana Water Project Authority

Karen Gaffney, West Coast Watershed

Holly Alpert, Inyo-Mono IRWM Region

Cathy Pieroni, City of San Diego

**Brandi Brown,** North Coast Resource Partnership Tribal Policy Review Panel Tribal Representative

**Leslie Friedman Johnson,** Conservation and Natural Resources Group

#### Q&A

17.	10:20	Break and Interactive Priority-Setting (Voting)	All	
18.	10:40	Panel Session		

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		Addressing Priorities for the Future of Regional Water Management Through State, Tribal, and Regional Partnerships	
		Session Hosts: Michael Floyd & Lewi	is Moeller, DWR
		Moderator: Lance Eckhart, Mojave W	Vater Agency
		<b>Agency Representatives:</b>	
		Erik Ekdahl, State Water Resou	rces Control Board
		Kris Tjernell, DWR	
		Charlton Bonham, Department	of Fish and Wildlife
		Anecita Agustinez, DWR	
		John Andrew, DWR	
		Leslie Laudon, State Water Resources Control Board	
		Q&A	
19.	11:40	Wrap-up of Regional Panel Sessions	Lance Eckhart, Mojave Water Agency
20.	11:55 AM	Wrap-up and Adjourn	Kamyar Guivetchi, DWR

The Mission of the California Department of Water Resources is to sustainably manage the water resources of California, in cooperation with other agencies, to benefit the state's people and protect, restore, and enhance the natural and human environments.

#### Plenary Story Board

#### Imagine a Day Without Water

• Californians face imminent and significant risk TODAY. As we step up our efforts to address today's critical challenges, we also have to address their root causes or "systemic challenges" to minimize or avoid their continued impacts over the long term.

#### Agenda Item

Morning
Presentations
and Discussions

#### Update 2018 will be a Plan for Today and Tomorrow

•Update 2018 - Is a viable, prioritized plan to effectively manage toward a more sustainable water future

#### Update 2018 is Designed for Action by all Levels of Government

•Benefits cannot be realized without implementation. DWR is already partnering with some agencies to pilot ways to incorporate components of Update 2018 into their own planning processes.

SAWPA Pilot Project

#### Leadership is Key

Director Nemeth and State Controller Betty T. Yee

#### Decision Making Requires Balancing & Understanding Trade-offs

•Given the complexity and interconnectivity of water management, effective decision must be not only based on best available and often limited information, but also requires a common understanding of expected trade-offs of decisions.

Interactive Modeling Exercise

#### Trade -offs Occur at all Scales

•Water management is a dynamic venture that requires integrated management of not just physical infrastructure but governance as well.

Water & the Courts

#### Good Decisions Depend on Good Data

Data-driven decision-making is only as good as the underlying data.
 DWR partners with many entities to receive and provide essential data which support effective water management decision making and help us track progress toward meeting intended outcomes.

Data Lightening Rounds

#### Up to 90% of all Water Management is Local

•State-regional partnerships empower regions to accomplish their own objectives as well as help accomplish State responsibilities such as protecting public trust and provider of last resort.

Day 2 Agenda

#### **FEATURED SPEAKERS**

#### **Karla Nemeth Director**

California Department of Water Resources

Karla Nemeth was appointed Director of the California Department of Water Resources by Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. on January 10, 2018. Nemeth oversees the Department and its mission to manage and protect California's water resources, working with other agencies in order to benefit the State's people and to protect, restore and enhance the natural and human environments.



Nemeth worked at the California Natural Resources Agency as

Governor Brown's deputy secretary and senior advisor for water policy since 2014. She was Bay Delta Conservation Plan project manager from 2009 to 2014. From 2005 to 2009 Nemeth was environmental and public affairs director for the Alameda County Flood Control and Water Conservation District from. She was community affairs manager at Jones and Stokes from 2003 to 2005. She has a Master's degree in public administration from the University of Washington.

Betty T. Yee California State Controller



State Controller Betty T. Yee was elected in November 2014, following two terms of service on the California Board of Equalization. As Controller, she continues to serve the Board as its fifth voting member.

Ms. Yee was first elected to the Board of Equalization in 2006 where she represented 21 counties in northern and central California. She was elected to her second four-year term in 2010.

Now serving as the state's chief fiscal officer, Ms. Yee chairs the Franchise Tax Board and serves as a member of

the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) and the California State Teachers' Retirement System (CalSTRS) Boards. These two boards have a combined portfolio of more than \$570 billion. Ms. Yee also serves on the Ceres Board of Directors, a nonprofit organization working to mobilize many of the world's largest investors to advance global sustainability and take stronger action on climate change.

Ms. Yee serves on dozens of boards and commissions with authority ranging from land management to crime victim compensation. As chair of the State Lands Commission, she helps provide stewardship of public-trust lands, waterways, industrial wharves, marine terminals, pipelines, and resources through economic development, protection, preservation, and restoration consistent with the state's environmental needs. The development and extraction of oil, gas, and geothermal resources are part of the Commission's purview, as well. Through other financing authorities, Ms. Yee is dedicated to creating incentives that will increase the number of affordable housing units in California, given that demand consistently outpaces supply.

A native of San Francisco, Ms. Yee received her bachelor's degree in sociology from the University of California, Berkeley, and she holds a master's degree in public administration.

#### Kris Tjernell, Deputy Director, Integrated Watershed Management California Department of Water Resources

Kris was appointed Deputy on May 14, 2018. This position is responsible for advancing policies and programs that integrate and provide multiple benefits including flood management, local water supply, and ecosystem restoration. He previously was the Special Assistant for Water Policy at the California Natural Resources Agency (CNRA) where he accelerated and coordinated implementation of Yolo Bypass flood and habitat restoration projects, California EcoRestore projects and related planning, and other actions to further the California Water Action Plan. Tjernell worked closely with Secretary John Laird



to develop and negotiate proposed voluntary settlement agreements for each of the major Delta tributaries as part of the State Water Board's ongoing Bay-Delta Water Quality Control Plan process. Earlier in his career he was a policy consultant for Conservation Strategy Group, LLC, where he specialized in integrated water management, Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta restoration and governance, ESA/CESA issues, land conservation, water supply, ecosystem conflict resolution, and public finance. Tjernell advised a broad array of local public water agencies and non-governmental organizations to advance their federal, state, and local natural resource funding and policy objectives. He graduated from the University of California, Santa Cruz, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology.

#### **OPENING SESSION DISCUSSION**

#### Imagine a Day Without Water

On October 10, 2018, nearly 900 agencies and organizations (including a number of the agencies & organizations represented today and tomorrow at the Update 2018 Plenary) will help promote the 4th annual Imagine a Day Without Water day. The purpose of the campaign is to ask Americans and their elected leaders to think about often-overlooked water systems. Across the country, municipal water agencies, city halls, coffee shops, breweries, schools, nonprofits and more will host events in their communities, call on their elected officials, and engage their networks on social media—all in the name of valuing water. During the Imagine a Day Without Water, millions of Americans will participate in raising awareness about the value of water and the need to invest in water infrastructure so no communities have to imagine—or live—a day without water again.

The message framework of the Imagine a Day Without Water campaign incorporates three main points:

- 1. A Day Without Water = Crisis
- 2. Reinvestment in Water Infrastructure = Opportunity
- 3. Strong Leadership on Water = Secure Future

An overarching message of the day is that while challenges might look different to different communities and will require local solutions, it's clear that reinvestment in our water systems must be a national priority.

The Day Without Water prevention themes echo those of the DWR Strategic Plan which highlights the importance of addressing the impacts of aging infrastructure, climate change, increasing population, and natural hazards. These same themes are also woven throughout Update 2018.

Californians have always seized on challenges to drive substantive changes in water resources management. California is also the first state in the nation to recognize that "every human being has the right to safe, clean, affordable, and accessible water adequate for human consumption, cooking, and sanitary purposes." A core underpinning of this statute is that the human right to water extends to all Californians, including disadvantaged individuals and groups and communities in rural and urban areas.

CWP Update 2018 incorporates all the work of previous Water Plans and articulates a vision for California's desired sustainable water future. It then explores a series of challenges and root causes that threaten the State's water security. Goals and objectives to advance the vision and address gaps are offered along with recommendations for needed changes, from planning to investment.

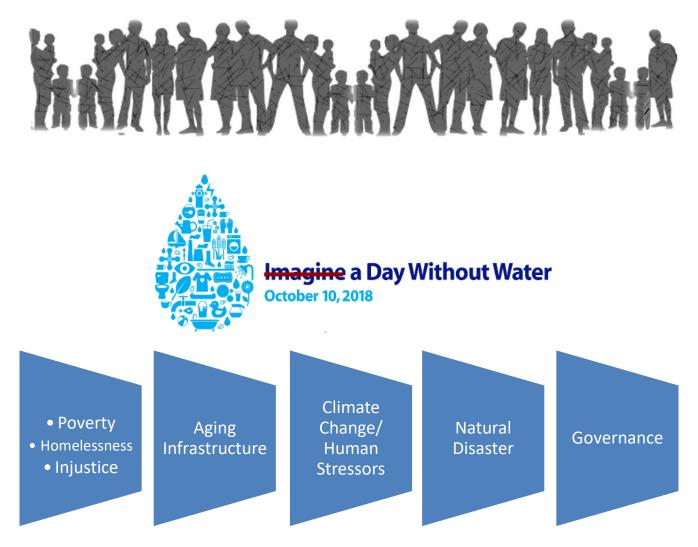


Figure 1. Day Without Water – Things that are Happening

#### **DISCUSSION**

#### Working as an individual:

- 1. What is the magnitude (percent of population) and the severity (impact) of individuals experiencing a day without water <u>today</u> or <u>tomorrow</u>, October 10, 2018, in your community, region, and the state?
- 2. How do you assess the risk of a day without water this year, the next five years, and in twenty years for your community, region and the state?

#### Working as a group:

1. To what extent do you view the situation in a similar way?

## **Challenges to Sustainability**

Many regional and community challenges are particularly vexing and increasingly undermine the well-being of Californians. Although local, regional, and State water managers tackle the following challenges daily, they experience varying degrees of success. Update 2018 outlines the characteristics of four societal values - public health and safety, a vital economy, thriving ecosystems, and an enriched quality of life, that provide a yardstick to measure successful water management. Similarly, the DWR Strategic Plan identifies critical challenges to success and pledges to focus in particular to address the impacts of aging infrastructure, climate change, increasing population, and declining ecosystems. Update 2018 further describes these challenges then address their root causes.



Reduced public health and safety, economic impacts, struggling ecosystems, and a declining quality of life

Aging Infrastructure	Climate Change	++ Population	Ecosystem Declines
<ul> <li>Increased Flood Risk</li> <li>Reduced access to Clean and Affordable Water</li> <li>Water Quality Degradation</li> <li>Delta Conflicts</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Extreme Events</li> <li>Declining Groundwater levels</li> <li>Declining Forest and Headwater Health</li> <li>Catastrophic Wildfire</li> <li>Increased Flood Risk</li> <li>Water Quality Degradation</li> <li>Delta Conflicts</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Changing Demands for Water</li> <li>Increasing Flood Risk</li> <li>Reduced Access to Clean, Safe, Reliable, and Affordable Water Supplies</li> <li>Declining Groundwater Levels</li> <li>Water Quality Degradation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Declining Forest and Headwater Health</li> <li>Increasing Flood Risk</li> <li>Declining Groundwater Levels</li> <li>Water Quality Degradation</li> <li>Catastrophic Wildfire</li> </ul>

Fragmented and Non-Coordinated Initiatives and Governance - Inconsistent and Conflicting Regulations - Insufficient Capacity for Data-Driven Decision-Making - Insufficient and Unstable Funding

Figure 2. Challenges to Sustainability

Table 1. Critical Challenges

Extreme Events	Flood Risk	Changing Demands for Water:	Catastrophic Wildfires	Declining Ecosystems
followed by extreme and public infrastructure) at risk maf per year by the year 2050 (depending on populat growth – this is equivalent to twice the storage capacitake Oroville) .Improving conservation and water use efficiency, along with shifts in agriculture to permaner crops, will also make it more difficult to reduce water		efficiency, along with shifts in agriculture to permanent crops, will also make it more difficult to reduce water use during droughts and periods of low supply (i.e., demand	<ul> <li>In 2017 - 1,436,558         acres burned; 10,822         structures destroyed         and another 1,238         damaged and tens of         billions of dollars in         losses and associated         costs</li> <li>Continued urban         development in and         near wildlands.</li> </ul>	Green Infrastructure Endangered Species Water Quality Degraded
Declining Forest a	nd Headwaters Health	Declining Groundwater	Unstable Regional Economies	
<ul> <li>Drought Stress, Insect attack</li> <li>Historic tree mortality - Since November 2016, 27 million trees have died</li> <li>Resiliency and capacity to naturally regulate streamflow and buffer water quality for the state's upper watersheds reduced</li> <li>Loss of riparian zones, wetlands, aquatic habitats, &amp; other green infrastructure.</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Artificial separation of surface water and groundwater</li> <li>Contaminants</li> <li>Stormwater</li> <li>Treatment Costs</li> <li>GW provides about 30-60% of state's water supplies</li> <li>Approx. 13 maf of GW reduction in storage in Central Valley aquifers 2005 – 2010 (= nearly four times Lake Oroville's total storage capacity)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>As water supplies have be reliable, local and region more volatile, especially rural communities.</li> <li>Direct agricultural costs of drought total more than loss of approximately 10. Economic downturns dis harm people who have the respond to changes.</li> </ul>	al economies are in agricultural and statewide from the \$1.8 billion, with a 100 seasonal jobs. proportionately
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#### **Root Causes**

## Fragmented and Non-Coordinated Initiatives and Governance:

A lack of shared Intent and alignment of landuse and resource management planning and decisions - among local, regional, State, and federal agencies and California Native American Tribes – can impair the ability to efficiently sustainable manage at a watershed scale. Those striving to implement projects must navigate and comply with California's labyrinth of non-coordinated and at times conflicting laws, regulations, and jurisdictions. This can lead to project delays and increased planning and compliance costs. This is true for both small, relatively simple projects and large, statewide projects. Sustainability will require unprecedented alignment and cooperation among public agencies, Tribal entities, landowners, interest-based groups, and other stakeholders. Alignment, implementation., collaboration and partnerships are required.

**Inconsistent and Conflicting** 

Regulations: While regulations are an integral part of public health & safety and environmental protection, current regulations - often developed in institutional silos - do not achieve their intended outcomes, much less balance environmental needs and human activities. Current statute focuses on avoiding, minimizing, or mitigating environmental impacts caused by discrete projects or protecting single species. This legal construct largely lacks the discretion needed to adaptively manage on a watershed or ecoregion scale. This includes managing for ecosystem restoration and the services it provides.

# **Insufficient Capacity for Data-Driven Decision-Making:**

Information, data, and tools are essential for ensuring that decisions and actions result in intended outcomes, as well as measure progress toward accomplishing those outcomes. Yet, water resource planners and managers often do not have access to the technical information, tools, and facilitation services needed to support regional efforts toward sustainable, IWM. Data may be abundant statewide but are collected, used, and stored by numerous agencies and not coordinated or shared. Although this is a collective challenge, inadequately informed decisions are often experienced to a much greater degree in under-represented and economically disadvantaged communities.

Data must be accessible, sufficient, quality controlled, and usable.

Effective decisions must also be based on the appropriate use and interpretation of data.

#### **Insufficient and Unstable**

**Funding:** Current State funding mechanisms and their use are often inadequate, unpredictable, and inflexible in light of multiple mandated, waterrelated responsibilities (including local assistance and cost-sharing). Many other factors, such as changing public priorities, deferred maintenance, and responses to declining ecosystems and catastrophic events, have compounded today's State funding needs. Additional funding challenges come from relying heavily on State GO bond funding and federal funding. State GO bond debt is at a near an all-time high.



The Water Plan Team has presented the symptoms, challenges and root causes of Days Without Water for Californians. How the Water Plan will tackle these issues is the subject of Plenary 2018.

#### **DISCUSSION**

During the opening discussion you and your colleagues identified Californians without water today and assessed potential future risks for water scarcity. Properly expressing the nexus between days without water and system level issues will be essential in both managing the response to concerns and building advocacy for a sustainability approach.

Thinking about the earlier discussions and the symptoms, challenges and root causes just presented:

- 1. What, if anything, would need to be incorporated into the critical challenges and root causes to fully capture the dilemmas that put our water future at risk?
- 2. How well are you personally able to articulate the nexus between the Water Plan defined challenges and root causes, and the individuals and communities at risk?



# INVESTING IN A SHARED VISION FOR CALIFORNIA'S WATER FUTURE

• Key Concepts in Update 2018 for Addressing California's Challenges



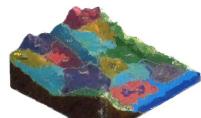
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#### WHAT WE CAN DO ABOUT IT

- 1. Decisions must be made despite lack of full understanding.
- 2. Making effective decisions should incorporate more than mental models and advocacy.
- 3. Data and analytical tools can enable more effective action and investment.
- 4. Managing within a complex system requires iteration/adaption.
- 5. Effective management occurs when people work across disciplines, natural resource sectors, and jurisdictions.



# MAKING DECISIONS WITHIN DYNAMIC AND COMPLEX SYSTEMS





SimBasin enables stakeholders and scientists to critically compare mental and computer models, with useful shared-insights gained. It simulates past and future decisions and promotes "serious gaming" as a viable planning tool.





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#### **Takeaways**

- Effective decision-making requires more than mental models and advocacy.
- Analytical tools can be used to manage at hydrologic scale using existing institutions.
- SimBasin-type tools can be effectively coordinated with many aspects of the California Water Plan.
- Data-based decisions are only as good as the data.

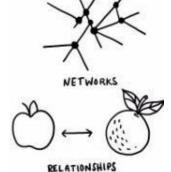


SYNTHESIS

#### Potential Scales of SimBasin:



- IRWM
- Hydrologic Regions



Run Your Own SimBasin Workshop:

http://simbasin.hilab.nl/en/download.html

# LIGHTNING TALKS THE FOUNDATION OF THE WATER PLAN: DATA DRIVEN DECISION MAKING

Subject/ Presenter	Notes/ Questions
<ul> <li>Overview - Jennifer Kofoid, Hoa Ly</li> <li>Water Supply and Balance - Xavier "Tito"         Cervantes - More about Tito's presentation is here:         <a href="http://tinyurl.com/y7ssjg7z">http://tinyurl.com/y7ssjg7z</a></li> <li>Water Budgets - Paul Shipman - More about Paul's presentation is here:         <a href="http://tinyurl.com/y7ka7lz8">http://tinyurl.com/y7ka7lz8</a></li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Climate Change – Emily Alejandrino –         More about her presentation is here:         <a href="http://tinyurl.com/y8zwl8dn">http://tinyurl.com/y8zwl8dn</a> </li> <li>Future Scenarios – Mohamed Rayej</li> <li>Land Use – Curtis Anderson - More about his presentation is here:         <a href="http://tinyurl.com/ya5uqanj">http://tinyurl.com/ya5uqanj</a></li> </ul>	
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# PRIORITIES FOR SUSTAINING, BROADENING, AND STRENGTHENING REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT

Presenters	Notes
Session Hosts: Michael Floyd &	
Lewis Moeller, DWR	
Moderator: Lynn Rodriguez,	
Watersheds Coalition of Ventura	
County	
Stakeholder Representatives:	
Mike Antos, Santa Ana Water	
Project Authority	
Karen Gaffney, West Coast Watershed	
Holly Alpert, Inyo-Mono	
IRWM Region	
• Cathy Pieroni, City of San	
Diego	
Brandi Brown, North Coast     Resource Partnership Tribal	
Policy Review Panel Tribal	
Representative	
• Leslie Friedman Johnson,	
Conservation and Natural	
Resources Group	



### ADDRESSING PRIORITIES FOR THE FUTURE OF REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT THROUGH STATE, TRIBAL, AND REGIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

Presenters	Notes
Session Hosts: Michael Floyd & Lewis	
Moeller, DWR	
Moderator: Lance Eckhart, Mojave	
Water Agency	
Agency Representatives:	
• Erik Ekdahl, State Water	
Resources Control Board	
Kris Tjernell, DWR	
Charlton Bonham, Department of	
Fish and Wildlife	
• Anecita Agustinez, DWR	
• John Andrew, DWR	
Leslie Laudon, State Water	
Resources Control Board	



# WATER PLAN PLENARY 2018 PRESENTER INFORMATION

Agustinez, Anecita: Anecita has served as DWR's tribal policy advisor since August 2013. Agustinez has over 30 years of advocacy experience on behalf of California's Native American tribes. She provides policy support and recommendations regarding tribal issues to the director and chief deputy director and has been actively engaged with our projects and programs, assisting with tribal consultation and development of the DWR Tribal Consultation Policy. Before joining DWR, Agustinez served as the Native American liaison and manager of the Office of Legislative and External Affairs and the Office of Health Access at the Department of Health Care Services. She previously served as the assistant director of the Office of Native American Affairs at the Department of Justice in the Office of the Attorney General. Her experience includes developing and conducting training in the areas of tribal consultation and cultural competency. Agustinez studied political science at Stanford

Alejandrino, Emily, Senior Environmental Scientist: Climate Change –

anecita.agustinez@water.ca.gov.

Emily is a DWR senior environmental scientist specialist in the Climate Change program. Her focus is outreach and education with staff, educators, children, and the general public. Her passion is working with California Native American Tribes in developing resources for climate change planning within their community through presentations, posters, video and other media. She has 20 years of experience working on California water issues. She received a

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Alpert, Holly, Ph.D.: Holly lives in Bishop, California, and works on California water issues in two capacities: Director of the Inyo-Mono Integrated Regional Water Management Program (IRWMP) and IRWMP Coordinator for the California Rural Water Association. Through these two efforts, Holly has been working with small, rural, and disadvantaged communities for the past 10 years with the goal of building capacity and increasing self-sufficiency with respect to water



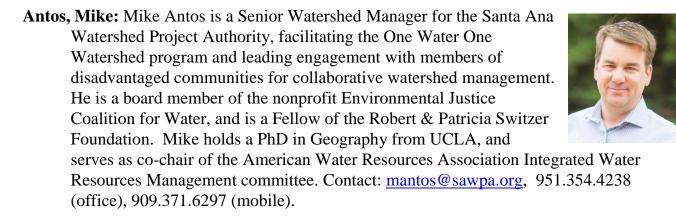
resources. Holly has served on the boards of Sierra Classic Theatre and the Bristlecone Chapter of the California Native Plant Society, and she is currently board president for

the Amargosa Conservancy. Holly holds a B.A. in Environmental Science and American Studies from Wellesley College and a Ph.D. in Environmental Studies from the University of California, Santa Cruz. In her leisure time, Holly enjoys skiing, hiking, traveling, and eating chocolate. The best find during a 2017 European trip was Fassbender & Rausch Chocolatiers in Berlin.

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Eckhart, Lance: Lance Eckhart is the Director of Basin Management and Resource Planning for the Mojave Water Agency (State Water Contractor) and has been with the Agency since 2001. Mr. Eckhart has worked in the public and private sectors during his approximate 20 years of experience in Water Resources management. Prior to his employment at Mojave Water Agency, Mr. Eckhart worked for a variety of consulting firms focusing on groundwater remediation and assessment. His responsibilities include leading a team of scientists,



engineers, data analysts, technicians and planners to manage the water resources for the approximately 5,000 square mile MWA service area. Recent major works have consisted of the directing the Agency's Urban Water Management Plan, the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan, Salt and Nutrient Management Plan, Groundwater Management Plans, Basin Conceptual Models and direct input regarding water policies for the region. Mr. Eckhart received his Bachelor of Science degree in in Geology and a Master of Science degree in Environmental Science from California State University, Fullerton. He is a licensed Professional Geologist and Certified Hydrogeologist in the State of California.

Floyd, Mike: Mike Floyd's 38-year career in water resources includes positions with DWR's Statewide Water Resources Planning Team, Integrated Regional Water Management Program, Suisun Marsh Program, Delta Levees Special Flood Control Projects Program, and Water Quality Evaluations Program. He also served as the Department's Staff Ground Water Hydrology Specialist and the Well Standards Specialist. Mike also held positions with the State



Water Resource Control Board's Division of Water Rights and Division of Water Quality preceded by a position with the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board. Prior to working for the State, Mike was a project manager and hydrologist at two nationally-based consulting firms & as a researcher at University of Arizona, Department of Hydrology and Water Resources conducting research for the development and evaluation of groundwater models. Mike is a California Registered Professional Engineer and has served as a Planning Commissioner for the City of Dixon, CA, and as a member of the City's Wastewater Advisory Committee. Mike enjoys time off with his family and is obsessed with motorcycles. Contact: Michael.Floyd@water.ca.gov.

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Leslie lives on the Russian River in Sonoma County, at the intersection of the intertwined resource management challenges of drought, flood, fire and fish, and is a sometimes blues singer.

Gaffney, Karen: Karen is the co-founder and CEO of West Coast Watershed, and staff to the North Coast Resource Partnership since its inception in 2005. A riparian ecologist, Karen is the past president of the California Society for Ecological Restoration, is a Switzer Environmental Leadership Fellow, and has served on the board of directors of the Watershed Management Council and



Conservation Corps North Bay. Her early years were spent on a sheep ranch in the Navarro River watershed. Once, while sleeping under the stars in the Austin Creek Watershed, she was bitten on the face by a rabid skunk – the rest is history.

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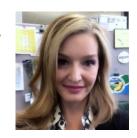
managed DWR staff work and coordinated the participation of numerous government agencies, Native American Tribes, stakeholders, and public to prepare the California Water Plan Updates 2005, 2009 and 2013 using a collaborative and consensus-seeking approach. He chairs the 30-member State Agency Steering Committee for preparing Water Plan Update 2018, and is the State Co-chair of the California Biodiversity Council's Executive Committee. Contact: <a href="mailto:Kamyar.Guivetchi@water.ca.gov">Kamyar.Guivetchi@water.ca.gov</a>, 916-651-9202.

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Board's, if not the state's, first recycled water policy in 1977. He has been involved in statewide surveys collecting data on water recycling projects since 1978. Within the state government framework of improving water management and water use efficiency, he has been involved in planning, economics, funding, policy, public health, regulatory, and legislative issues related to water reclamation, conservation, and water desalination. Rich holds B.S. and M.S. degrees in civil and environmental engineering from the

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4 Updates including 2005, 2009, 2013 and the current 2018. His main

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Water Budget Pilot Projects, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Program, the 2017 Central Valley Flood Protection Plan, and the IRWM Stakeholder Perspectives report. Paul graduated magna cum laude from California State University, Sacramento with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering and is a licensed Professional Engineer in California. Paul has been with DWR since 2013. Contact:

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#### **PLENARY LOGISTICS TEAM**

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